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WALKS ABOUT TOWN.

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I noticed a few days ago two boys about in the centre of the Green prairie about the woods with sharp-pointed sticks, possibly following the runway made by a mole, or perhaps out of sheer destructiveness, for which young boys at a certain age are noted. A gentleman passing in the neighborhood, and put a stop to it, but the thanks he received from those same boys were conveyed in very bad language. As a matter of fact, the gentleman was not a resident of Bloomfield, as I found out afterwards, and you can see that interest is taken even by non-residents in what is truly beautiful. Those boys without doubt were born and brought up in town, and still would mar or destroy that which makes the place so attractive. Visitors and residents alike should appreciate the green, which adds so much to the attractiveness of Bloomfield. All strangers admire its stately elms, its greenward and handsome surroundings. Every person who calls Bloomfield home should consider himself a "committee of one" to guard it against any manner of destruction.

Last week a cross-town car in passing through Day street, Orange, was greatly interfered with by the driver of a butcher wagon, who would not get off the track and allow the car to pass. Now I have again the same thing here in Bloomfield on Glenwood avenue, between the D. L. & W. depot and the Centre. Loaded wagons ride more easily on the tracks and drivers know it. They get out of the way when it suits their convenience. Perhaps such drivers are not aware that there is a penalty for willfully interfering with horse cars severe enough to teach them wholesome lesson.

The New York Times (May) says there is no word that Dakota and Washington Territories will be admitted as States into the Union, and adds: "The Democrats have made a mistake heretofore in preventing any opposition to their admission." A mistake, was it? Well, that is good. Why did not the Times (May) discover this before, when as everyone knows the two Territories have been knocking at our door for some time. But that was before election, and before the Democratic army and its Mugwump annex, commanded by Mr. Cleveland, were routed.

I notice that the D. L. & W. R. R. Co. have been doing what they should have done a long time ago, and that is the placing of gates at the Glenwood avenue crossing, where they have been greatly needed. There is more traffic and more danger at this crossing than at Washington avenue, and the great wonder is that there have not been more accidents from the railroad company's neglect to place gates at this point. There was not even a flagman, so I understand, until about the time the street cars crossed the track.

In passing down Broad street last Saturday, I noticed a young boy who resides in the neighborhood, shooting at some persons in the rear of the First Presbyterian church. He used a small rifle aiming a bullet about the size of a pea. This was a small weapon, but still in the hands of an inexperienced boy of fourteen years, it is capable of doing great injury. When young boys wander around with firearms in their hands and discharge their contents recklessly, or even carefully, in such a populous place as I saw this boy, it is time the authorities looked into the matter, if parents do not.

If the railroad companies when they are examining applicants for positions on their roads, would determine whether they are able to speak the English language more plainly than the average trainman does at present, they would favor a long-suffering travelling public and their patrons would be grateful. The telling of the names of stations by brakemen is because they know the name of the station everyone else does, and only call out because they are so ordered and without any regard for the information of passengers. Who is it that has not noted the fact on the New York elevated roads, and who is it that has been able to understand what station is next? In reality it is about as easy to understand the everyday Yankee brakeman's speech as Chinese or Chontaw.

Notice that the board walk leading from the Greenwood lake station along the railway bank to New street is in a very bad condition. No-half the boards are rotted away and a person coming in on a late train and going to a w. street, is in danger of a sprained ankle or even worse. The railroad company will matter in hand and repair it or take the

walk up entirely. Perhaps if Mr. Anderson would call the attention of the proper authorities of the railroad to its condition, some good might come of it.

WANDERER.

Social Event in Fairview.

The first step in the proposed annexation of Silver Lake to Bloomfield took place on Wednesday night in the marriage of Miss Lillian Bost, of New York City, to Mr. Fred E. Heckel, son of R. E. Heckel, of Bloomfield and Silver Lake. The ceremony which was performed by Rev. F. W. Stubbart, was observed at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. W. R. Hanna, of Newark avenue, Fairview. The guests began to assemble early in the evening, a train load coming from New York. Shortly before 9 o'clock the knot was tied, the happy couple standing beneath a canopy of flowers and greens. The bride, who is the charming and accomplished daughter of Charles Bost, of Wheelock & Co., piano manufacturers, New York, received many encomiums for her beauty and grace. A reception followed and later a bountiful banquet was served in the dining hall. Dancing and festivities were indulged in till daylight, the happy couple leaving on the midnight train for Newark amid showers of rice and old shoes. The wedding tour will comprise a trip to Philadelphia, Washington and the south. The bridesmaids were Miss Millie Heckel, sister to the groom, and Miss Marie Bost, cousin to the bride. The groomsmen were Mr. Edward Heckel, the groom's brother, and Mr. Charles Bost, brother to the bride. The bride was attended by two maids of honor, Little Bertha Heckel and Barbara Hanna. The ushers were Messrs. W. R. Hanna and Charles Heckel. The presents which were presented, were numerous, costly and beautiful.

W. S. Pierson Post, G. A. R.

At the last meeting of the above society of veterans on Thursday evening, the annual election of officers for the ensuing year was held with the following result: Commander, Fred H. Plich; S. V. Com., John M. Bancroft; J. V. Com., George W. Way; Q. M., Wm. J. Raab; Surgeon, Dr. Wm. H. White; Chaplain, C. L. Voorhees; Officer of the day, Wm. B. Sheppard; Officer of the guard, Charles Shaper; Representative at State Encampment, John B. Dunbar; Alternate, S. Morris Hulm; Trustees, Geo. W. Panoost, A. J. Marsh and D. W. Gregory. Comrade G. M. Cadmus was re-appointed Adjutant, and Charles Batchelder, Outside Sentinel.

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